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Coming up next week...05/01/2026

Reception children have had a fantastic first term and they all deserve a rest! Only **two** more school days to go!

On Monday and Tuesday next week, we are learning about Online Safety, sharing the book *Would You Rather*, Christmas as well as doing a Christmas Maths quiz, some festive yoga and having lots of Christmas fun!

Homework for the holidays will be to have fun, play games, and enjoy time with your family!

Don't forget that school returns on Monday 5th January.

As this is our last 'Coming up next week...' for the term (though don't forget that we still have school on Monday and Tuesday next week!), we want to wish you and your families an enjoyable, relaxing and safe break. Thank you for all your support.

Please see below to find out what is happening next term...

Learning in school:

Theme for the first half of Spring Term: Dangerous Dinosaurs!

We are going back in time to widen our knowledge about dinosaurs. We will be looking at the similarities and differences between the dinosaurs, their size and features. We will also be learning facts using non-fiction books and learning how to look after dinosaurs.

Theme for the Week: Shhh, it is a surprise!

We will be having a surprise delivery, and the children will be discussing what it could be and what might it reveal...

The children will be writing their own imaginary holiday stories where their "who" character will go on an adventure "where" and "what doing". We will also be exploring nouns (who) and starting to write a book, initially with "who" and a drawing. We will be discussing things are safe or unsafe for our bodies, including medicines.

Phonics

This week we will be re-capping the digraphs we have learned previously (qu, ch, sh, th, ng, nk) and learning the new digraphs ai, ee and oa as well as our first trigraph igh. We will send out sounds sheet the first week back.

Maths:

On our first week back we will be recapping numbers 1 to 5 and introducing 0. We will be using stories to support our learning, exploring number lines and counting frames, and practising subitising (recognising numbers of objects to 5 without the need to count).

Additional notes and reminders

Please remember to put your child's library book in their book bag on their class library day. Library days are as follows:

- ✓ Turtles: Tuesday
- ✓ Starfish: Thursday
- ✓ Jellyfish: Monday

Please note that as the week progresses it is sometimes necessary to change what is planned to meet the learning needs of the children and therefore changes to the above may occur.